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FIREMEN WILL GIVE BIG PARADE AND BALL MAY 10TH

Successful School Rallies Held at Abita Springs and Talisheek

FIREMEN'S BALL PARADE AND ENTERTAINMENT

A Big Feature To Be Dramatic and Comedy Sketches at the Park Pavilion.

CHARGE OF MANAGER FUHRMAN, PARKVIEW

Dancing Will Take Place Immediately After Entertainment. Parade at 3

The Big show for the Firemen's Entertainment will be under the personal supervision of C. S. A. Fuhrman, and will be run somewhat similar to the Orpheum style of entertainment by presenting a mixed program composed of two beautiful dramatic plays and one big comedy act, a genuine scream from start to finish. The big scream will include a Charlie Chaplin burlesque. Everybody remembers the big show at the school auditorium—some few months ago. My! what a success. Remember the big fat Dudley Weaver, playing the part of a little boy in short pants who stole the loaf of bread. Remember the big fat Judge Badon, who played the part of Joe Hoffman, the officer. Remember the tall, long, lanky Francis FitzSimons, who played the part of the high tone brown. Remember, to be sure, Richard Grimmer, the cabaret dancer; the two attorneys, Prof. Lyon and Bill Riggs. Well, if you were there and remember all that, you need not hesitate to come because the program will be just as entertaining.

The following will be rendered: "The Heart of Isadore," a one-act dramatic playlet. Time, 30 minutes. "John Clayton, Actor," dramatic playlet, one act. Time 30 minutes. Big comedy scream, local hits of every description. Time, about 30 minutes.

A complete cast will be published next week.

Dancing will follow the entertainment.

The parade will leave the engine house at 3 p. m.

PROGRAM OF PARKVIEW THEATRE.

Patrons of the Parkview Theatre will be offered a special treat by the management on this Sunday night, when little Mary Pickford will be presented in "Madam Butterfly," a six reel Paramount feature, for 5 and 10 cents. This subject should bring to any exhibitor an admission price of ten and fifteen cents, but owing to the vast number of previous advanced price features the management will offer this treat for Sunday. The doors will be open at 6 p. m.

Tonight's program will mark the entrance of a new star to Covington's theatre-goers, when Mary Robinson will make her debut in a five-part feature, entitled "May Blossoms." An admission of 5 and 10 cents will be charged. Doors open at 7 p. m.

Hurray for surprise night! Starts again this Monday, when another Bluebird subject will be offered in connection. Two big beautiful flower pots will be awarded the holders of the lucky numbers. Two drawings will be made, first drawing to take largest pot and second drawing the smallest. There will not be any more interruptions of "Surprise Night." These nights will continue throughout the entire summer. Prices on this night will be 10 and 15 cents. Doors open at 7 p. m.

"The Goddess," the big Vitagraph serial, will be shown every Wednesday, with two additional reels from the General Film Company. Wednesdays nights, or "Goddess Nights," will always be operated for 5 and 10 cents.

With the coming of the hot summer months starts the longings for little amateurs. What say you, the public? Shall we start an Amateur Night? Suppose we make it every Friday, and start things going in a couple of weeks? Something else—how many of you good people would like to see Charlie Chaplin in the greatest comedy he ever made—"Carmen"—a big kick in four acts? It couldn't be shown for less than 10 and 15 cents. If you would like to see it, write the manager. Oh, yes, "Hippocrates" is coming on Saturday, May 10th—save your pennies. "The Maid and His Soul," featuring Francis X. Bushman, plays Saturday, May 13th.

M. C. B. LIBRARY WILL HAVE DANCING CLASS

Arrangements Have Been Made for Reopening the Very Popular Classes.

MISSSES PETERS AND MERCADEL TO TEACH

Miss Peters Comes From New Orleans. Both Teachers Spoken of Highly.

The patrons of the M. C. B. Dancing School will be glad to learn that final arrangements have just about been completed for the re-opening of the dancing classes.

The teacher will be Miss Olga Peters of New Orleans, assisted by Miss Ava Mercadel. Miss Peters comes very highly recommended by Miss Stella Mercadel who pronounces her one of her best pupils. She has been under the instruction of Miss Mercadel for seven years and understands Miss Mercadel's methods thoroughly. The children will be instructed in all the necessary delicate movements as well as fancy and ball-room dancing according to the most systematic and most up-to-date methods. It is unnecessary to state that Miss Peters will strive to achieve the same results in Covington as Miss Mercadel has produced in New Orleans.

The rates are extremely reasonable, being \$1.00 per month, paid in advance.

It has not been definitely decided as yet whether the classes will begin on Saturday, the 6th of May, or a week later. Definite announcement as to date will be given later. Those who intend to take the lessons should be on hand at the first meeting as it is then that the general instructions are usually given.

Those pupils to whom lessons are still due from Miss Mickie's classes will be given back the amount of those lessons at the rate of 20 cents per lesson just as soon as arrangements can be made to do so. The classes with Miss Peters are started on an entirely new basis, and the two accounts cannot be confused.

SCHOOL RALLY AT ABITA AND TALISHEEK

A Large Number of People Gather at Both Places and Witness the Exercises.

Athletic Events, as Well as School Exercises Were Well Conducted.

The school rally at Abita Springs, Tuesday, was a fine success and was participated in by a number of schools. There was a parade through the principal streets of the town, led by the town officials, in which the school children were in line.

The various events were carried off successfully and the large number of visitors enjoyed the occasion. The volunteer service of the Slidell High School and was very much appreciated and the music enjoyed by all.

Athletic Events:

150-yard run, time 15 2-5 seconds—First, F. Artus, Mandeville; second, R. Dubourg, Mandeville; third, F. Bennett, Abita.

50 yard run, under 54 inches—Karl Rausch, Abita; Bert Jesse, Garden District; Douglas Kidd, Mandeville.

50 yard run, by girls, time 7 4-5—Victorine Menant, Mandeville; Miriam Smith, Mandeville; Beatrice Frosch, Mandeville.

50 yard run, little girls, under 54 inches, time 6 4-5—Irene Prietto, Mandeville; Lois Werts, Garden District; Beatrice Oalman, Abita.

Sack Race—Tedd Davis, Garden District; G. Winn, Abita; F. Brown, Abita.

Broad Jump—F. Artus, Mandeville; S. Rayne, Garden District, Tom Sharp, Mandeville.

Running Broad Jump—F. Artus, Mandeville; S. Rayne, Garden District; Tom Sharp, Mandeville.

Potato Race—May Brown, Abita;

Eliza Martin, Garden District.

Basket Ball—Abita vs. Garden District, 10 points to Abita by forfeit.

First Grade Reading—Lucille Sorniat, Mandeville; Thelma Fandal, Garden District; Calvin Hansbrough, Mandeville.

Second Grade Reading—Forrest Cooper, Abita; Theo Davis, Garden District; Inez Boudousque, Garden District.

Group 1, Spelling—Annie Denege, Geo. Muller, Fred Meiners, Margie Newman, Mandeville. Forrest Hooper, Emily Kustenmacher, Helen Kustenmacher, Ruth Scheck, Abita; Bert Jesse, Theo Davis, Cecile Ragan, Flo Beirman, Garden District.

Group 2—Beatrice Frosch, Eunice Smith, Miriam Smith, Doris Langenheiser, Bessie Ruth, Mary Mannors, Rene Dubourg, Mandeville. Miriam Oalman, Ouida Glasen, Jones De Merlier, Mildred Thrower, Annie De Merlier, Rich Privetto, Horny Hooper, Abita. Eunice Jesse, Annie Steiner, Marjorie Stockton, Mari Martin, Eleanor Keen, Garden District.

Rapid Addition—Second grade, Et Martin, Garden District.

Third Grade, Emily Kustenmacher, Abita.

Fourth Grade, Ruth Schreck, Abita.

Fifth Grade—Milton Castay, Garden District.

Sixth and Seventh Grades—Leopold Levy, Mandeville.

Basketball—Abita School vs. Local Girls, 10 points for Abita School.

Points:

Abita Springs, 59.

Mandeville, 66.

Garden District, 38.

Demonstration of Tomato Club—By Miss Hickman, assisted by Miss Williams.

Events at Talisheek Rally.

Many lady members of the Abita and Covington School Improvement Leagues were present.

Large tables under the trees were erected for the basket dinner. The Bilbo Mercantile Co. sold soft drink and the proceeds will be given to the school to help defray expenses.

Number of people from Slidell were also there.

The schools represented were Sun, Oak Grove, Talisheek, Central, Audubon and Pearl River.

A very large crowd was present and a nice time was had by all.

Singing—Audubon, first; Tall

Winning Number of Ryan Bicycle to be Known May 20th.

The bicycle at Ryan's will be drawn May 20, the Saturday before school closes on Wednesday, in order that all who are interested may be present.

The conditions are as follows: It will not be necessary for the holder of the winning ticket to be present.

The tickets in the barrel will be thoroughly shaken and two of the school children will be asked to do the drawing.

One of the two will be blindfolded and will draw the tickets from the barrel while the other will read the numbers aloud.

Ten numbers will be drawn from the barrel. These numbers will be posted at Ryan's and the holders of the numbers will be asked to register their names.

The first number will win the bicycle, but if no one registers that number inside of seven days then the holder of the next number registered will win, and so on consecutively until one of the ten numbers is declared winner.

A committee consisting of Mr. D. H. Mason, editor of The St. Tammany Farmer, J. P. Verrier, ex-Chief of Police, and Charles Hooper will have charge of the drawing and will be final arbiters of all questions that may arise in connection with the awarding of the bicycle.

Baptismal Ceremonies in the Bogue Falaya River.

Rev. Crandle of the African Baptist Church of Covington made several baptisms of converts to the faith in the Bogue Falaya river last Sunday. The day was beautiful and the ceremony was witnessed by quite a number of white people as well as members of the St. James Baptist Church.

Both Baptist and Methodist churches were recently burned to the ground. The Methodist church has been rebuilt and the Baptists are temporarily situated until their new church shall be built. Rev. Crandle announces that there will be services every Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

An Agricultural Department To Be Established in This Paper and To Be Edited by Farm Demonstrator G. C. Lewis. It Will be Devoted Entirely to Interests of the Farmers and Will be Open to Communications From Them

FARM DEMONSTRATOR LEWIS AGAIN TAKES UP THE WORK OF BOOSTING AGRICULTURE

To Assist Him in Carrying Out His Plans and to Awaken Greater Interest in the Scientific Principles He Will Teach, The St. Tammany Farmer Has Set Apart Departmental Space For His Especial Use.

TO BE KNOWN AS THE FARMERS' DEPARTMENT

A Letter From Mr. Lewis, in Which He Makes a Statement of His Plans and Outlines the Things He Wishes to Accomplish, With Assistance of the Farmers.

When I resigned as Parish Farm Demonstrator, on the first of last December, I did so with regret. I disliked very much to give up the work I was so much interested in and in leaving my many friends who were also interested in better farming, especially my club members. I did not think at that time that I could ever entertain the idea of holding the position again, but I am very glad to announce that on April 24th I went back on duty and am now ready for business.

It is my desire to please everybody, but, as the Dutchman has said, "if you please everybody you are doing nothing," so I naturally expect some trouble along this line, for I am going to put my shoulder to the wheel and work to improve the entire parish all I can along agricultural lines. It will be impossible to give too much time to any one neighborhood, for there are too many neighborhoods in the parish.

Some people do not know what to expect of the Demonstrator. They think that he is to stand and wait for each little call to go out some where, and go when told, regardless of conditions. This is not true. The real object of the demonstration work is to take as many farmers in each ward, say six, and let these farmers prepare their land, fertilize it, drain it according to instructions; also to use seed and implements with which to carry out the plan of cultivation. Seed selection will also be done on these farms, and any other

Kidnapping of Child by Gypsies Causes Excitement in Covington, But Examination of Camp Gives No Clew.

Child Was Stolen From Parents in Pennsylvania, and Is Reported To Be In Possession of Gypsies Traveling In Five Automobiles From Hattiesburg. Gypsies Arriving Here Had No Boy With Them Bearing Marks Described

Simultaneous with the arrival of a band of gypsies in Covington, Tuesday, the New Orleans papers published a story of a stolen child supposed to be in possession of gypsies who passed through Hattiesburg a few days earlier. It is stated that the gypsies were traveling in five automobiles. The gypsies who camped at Goodbee bridge, near Covington, also had autos, but there were seven instead of five and also two wagons. One of these autos, an Overland, was sold to Mr. Baucle for \$150. It was an old car.

Marshal Schultz, of Covington, took the matter up and started an investigation, feeling that possibly these gypsies might be the same band that had stolen the child (Henry Glass) from Pike County, Pennsylvania. In the meantime he received the following letter from Assistant Attorney General Mylie M. Barrow, of Baton Rouge:

Baton Rouge, La., April 26, 1916.

Mr. Herman Schultz Covington, La.

Dear Sir:—I enclose in this morning's Times-Pic. that you have located the band of gypsies who were supposed to have kidnapped Henry Glass from Pike County, Pennsylvania, the four year old lad who disappeared there more than a year ago. This band of gypsies in five automobiles passed through East Baton Rouge Parish last Thursday, April 20th. Two of the cars stopped at the Country Club, near Baton Rouge, and got water. They told me they were going to Columbia, Mississippi.

Three of the cars did not stop but hurried past.

I do not know that this will aid you in any way, except to trace their round about route through the country, and to establish the fact that they did not obtain the automobiles at Hattiesburg, Miss. I think this band of gypsies should be watched very closely.

Yours very truly,

W. M. BARROW.

While the first visit to the camp had not resulted in anything that would justify the arrest of any of the party, this letter awakened further suspicion and the investigation was renewed with the hope that some new clew might be unearthed. Marshal Schultz telegraphed for a description of the child and received the following answer from Mrs. Glass, who was located at Jersey City, N. J., 426-16.

Chief of Police:

James five years, light hair, double crown, blue eyes, circumcised, good teeth, upper front apart, mole behind ear and on back at waist line, outer rim ear slightly flat, three feet six inches tall, weight thirty-five pounds. Wire result.

ELLA GLASS.

A search among the children of the camp showed that none of them answered the description in the telegram. There was one boy, probably six or seven years of age, who was circumcised, but he bore none of the markings described. The gypsies

New Steamer "Mandeville" Soon To Be In Service, Mandeville-New Orleans

The new steamer, Mandeville, remodelled from the Hanover, will be in service May 6. This will be the fastest boat that has ever been put between Mandeville and New Orleans. It will take the place of the Capt. L. E. Young, Purser L. J. Gable, Assistant Purser N. M. McCord, Chief Engineer C. Delcroix, Mate Geo. M. Young, Porter H. T. Doyle.

The Mandeville has been modeled especially to meet the requirements of the shallow lake, and besides the convenience and comfort it will offer to passengers, it is expected to make fast time. This will be good news to the large number of people who are fond of the delightful trip over the lake and who appreciate comfort.

Back On The Job



work that might come up from time to time. These farms are to be visited once a month, at least, and as many of the neighbors around each farmer visited are to be invited to meet me there and we will have a sort of informal agricultural meeting. The meeting can be held at one farm one time and next time at another. In this way many farmers in the parish can be touched. Then under the head of general work comes dipping vats, testing the solution, and in giving instructions about dipping, silos, construction of same, best crops for ensilage, etc., livestock, treatment of disease, as

laughed and said that he was a Jew. "What do we want with more children," they said. "We have more than we can feed." One of them remarked: "Do you suppose, if we had stolen a child, that we would carry him around with us in this way?"

It is believed that if this band had anything to do with the abduction of Henry Glass, part of the band has gone with him in another direction. Five of the cars still in the possession of the gypsies had licenses. Two Overlands had Mississippi licenses numbered 3691 and 3744 one Overland had a Louisiana license numbered 2410; one C. M. C. had no license, and a Ford car had a Louisiana license numbered 6700. This last was a 1916 license, which looks suspicious in view of the fact that the band had so recently come to Louisiana.

A railroad man stated that one of the gypsies had been in Oklahoma in December. That he had himself seen him there. His recognition was further verified by the fact that the man had a broken arm, which he injured in cranking his machine.

The gypsies said they were going to Oklahoma and from there to Hattiesburg, Miss. That they were on their way to Miami, Fla. It is hoped that the incident may in some way lead also to the search for little James Glass.

Yours truly,
G. C. LEWIS,
Farm Demonstrator.

The Hebert-Thomas Wedding at Talisheek Social Event of Importance

An occasion of considerable social interest was the wedding, Thursday morning, at Talisheek, of Miss Ellen Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Thomas, to Louis Hebert, of Bude, Miss., son of Dr. N. M. Hebert, of Covington. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, at 3 o'clock a. m. Rev. T. V. Peters, of McDonoghville, La., officiating. Mandeville's Wedding March was played by Miss Fannie Mae Patheron, and Mrs. T. L. Shaw sang "A Perfect Day."

The bride wore a beautiful costume of white crepe de chine. The color scheme was red and green and was carried out in the pretty decorations and the bridal arch, which was

Proceedings of District Court.

District Court opened Monday. Judge J. B. Lancaster on the bench and District Attorney J. Vol Brock prosecuting.

The following cases were disposed of:

Adole Baker vs. David Baker, suit for divorce, judgment for plaintiff as prayed for.

E. H. Baudet vs. J. J. Paquette et als. for supplies furnished; taken under advisement.

State vs. J. D. Robinson, colored, carrying concealed weapons, sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 and costs of court, in default 12 months in jail subject to work on public roads.

State vs. Haywood Combs, and wife, colored, disturbing the peace at Floreenville, La., fined \$10 and

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